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SUBJECT: NEW LABOR MINISTER NAMED

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1. BULGARIAN PRESS ANNOUNCED JUNE 17 THAT ANGEL CHAUSHEV, PREVIOUSLY FIRST DEPMIN OF INTERNAL TRADE, HAS BEEN NAMED NEW MINISTER LABOR AND SOCIAL WELFARE. CHAUSHEV FILLS A POSITION VACANT SINCE LAST APRIL WITH PREVIOUSLY REPORTED APPOINTMENT OF FORMER LABOR MINISTER KIRIL ZAREV AS DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF MINISTERIAL COUNCIL. IN RELATED MOVES FIRST DEPMIN LABOR GEORGI EVGENIEV (WHO WAS SPONSOR OF US DOL LABOR SEMINAR HELD HERE LAST MONTH AND WHO APPEARS TO EMBASSY AS EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATOR ON WAY UP) WAS TRANSFERRED TO MINISTRY SUPPLIES AND STATE RESERVES AS FIRST DEPMIN WHILE ASEN DOBREV HAS STEPPED UP FROM DEPMIN TO FIRST DEPMIN IN LABOR MINISTRY.

2. LITTLE IS KNOWN OF NEW LABOR MINISTER CHAUSHEV'S BACKGROUND, ALTHOUGH WHAT IS AVAILABLE INDICATES A BACKGROUND IN ECONOMICS AS WELL AS LABOR EXPERIENCE. CHAUSHEV, NOW APPROXIMATELY 53 YEARS OF AGE, WAS RECTOR AT KARL MARX HIGHER ECONOMIC INSTITUTE IN SOFIA DURING 1962-66 AFTER WHICH HE WAS APPOINTED DEPCHAIRMAN

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COMMITTEE FOR LABOR AND WAGES. IN 1968 HE MOVED UP TO

FIRST DEPMIN OF EDUCATION BUT WAS REMOVED IN DECEMBER
OF THAT YEAR. EMBASSY HAS NO RECORD OF HIS POSITIONS
IN INTERVENING YEARS UNTIL JULY 1974 WHEN HE WAS
APPOINTED FIRST DEPMIN OF INTERNAL TRADE. EMBASSY HAS
NO INFORMATION ON FILE REGARDING DOBREV AND EVGENIEV.
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